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Document A1 discloses a sulphur hexafluoride gas recovery apparatus for a gas insulated switching device having a deaeration unit which separates and removes liquified sulphur hexafluoride from a compressed gas mixture, which is then compressed and exhausted through a second switching valve. An English translation of document A1 is not readily available; however, the absence of such translation does not relieve the PTO from its duty to consider the submitted document (37 C.F.R. § 1.98 and M.P.E.P. § 609). An English language abstract is provided for document A1.

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Respectfully submitted,

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